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Examiner Tesfamariam called our office this afternoon to inquire whether or not our client wished to abandon the above-identified patent application because a Response to an Office Action dated January 30, 2002 had not been placed on file in this application.

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Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or my assistant, Donna Ulbik at 214-953-6693.

Barton E. Showalter

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In response to the Official Action mailed January 30, 2002, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and comments.

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